RICHMOND, VA., TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 1891.

THE DAVIDSON-CALL CONTEST.

The Arrival of the Former Causes a Reference to Precedents.

THE LATEST SPEAKERSHIP PROSPECTS.

Mills, Crisp, McMillin and Springer Busy With Their Friends Pressing Their Claims Capitol News.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 30. The arrival in this city of ex-Representative Davidson, dentials signed by the Governor of to contest the re-election to the nited States Senate of Senator Call, has sed reference to precedents.

The case which comes nearest in point in se compilation of "Senate Election Cases" rom 1870 to 1889, appears to be the case of custis against Pinchback, of Louisiana; desided in favor of Mr. Eastis in Decem-Senator Call's friends claim that latentially on all fours with that elit Democrats and two Repub-d over to the House side, and mocratic majority of the House story of both houses, went into iton and elected Mr. Eustis,

the day of election, and a suffi-er of members of the House to mie a majority of the two houses walked the Seriate and elected Mr. Call. In a case the Senate refused to act and a ant number of senators joined the House election. In the other case the Sento make a majority of the joint. Mr. Pavidson's friends, on the r hand, contaid that there are marked rences in the two cases, and that even if were not so, the fact, they say, that when Eastis was seated the field had been aloned by the other claimant, whereas, he present case. Mr. Davidson is in the l. armed with credentials, signed by the carnor of the State, establishes a wide THE SPEAKERSHIP BATTLE.

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of Kentneky, Tracy of bold their mail, as they will be easy or so, but the contingentation capital is not sufficient to base estimate upon as to the strength Julge Holman, chairman of the cutiens, as to when it will convene.

to test the constitutionality of by the Court that the customs at New York y to levy duties on cotton ander the McKinley

the first question. Mr. Smith

and without any superscription was an increase of nearly nineteen cent, over 1800. Among them found Among total amount of letters "held for postage" of 673. Of these, \$2,648 were letters to make addresses, and largely corresponses to sawdust swindles, many of containing money for the purchase of fraudulent goods. Three thousand one find and saydust swindles. d and sixty-six contained lettery twenty-four per cent, of which were received during the first four months of the car and were declared unmadable. Us the dead letter office receives during the ing like 12,000 letters containing lottery

Funeral of J. Allen Patton.

DANVILLY, VA., Nov. 30.—[Special.]—As briefly wired to Sunday's Times, Mr. J. Allen Patton, treasurer of Danville, died Saturday night. Though he had been confined to his room for some time, and was known to be a very sick man, his death was sudden and unexpected. Mr. James D. l'atton, his brother, come from Bichmond Saturday evening. ig ng lor, White of that city to them freely. Soon afterwards the American Missionary of New York. cut. The sick man greeted his brother the Doctor pleasantly and conversed

he complained of severe pains in his back, and before those sitting by the bedside could notice any change he died, the immediate cause of death being heart failure. Julius Allen Patton was the youngest son of William S, and Catherine A. Patton, and was born in Danville on the 16th of January, 1857. He was reared in this city, and after attending the primary schools here his education was completed at Hampden-Sidney College. After leaving college the deceased became associated with the banking firm of W. S. Patton, Sons & Co., and remained a member of the concern until January, 1850, and in March of that year he went into the insurance and real estate business and the concern of Patton & Talbott was formed. In May, 1850, Mr. Patton was elected trensurer of the city of Danville for a term of four years. The deceased was married April 16, 1882, to Miss Hennie Crew, daughter of the late Henry Crew, of Richmond. His wife and three children survive him. Mr. Patton was a consistent member of the Presbyterian church and a straightforward business man, who enjoyed the confidence and respect of the entire community. The funeral took place this afternoon from the First Presbyterian church and was conducted by Rev. Alexander Marin, D. D. A very large First P esbyterian clurch and was conducted by Rev. Alexander Marin. D. D. A very large concourse of people attended the funeral and followed the remains to Green Hill cemetery, where they were buried with Masonie honors, the Masonie service being conducted by Roman Lagle Lodge, which was escorted to the church, and the ceremony by Dove Compandary, Knights Tegmalar of which decayed

was a member.

The shipments of manufactured tobacco from Danville in November were 458,653 pounds; shuments from January 1st to November 30th were 6,973,179 pounds, which, as compared with the same period of last year, show a decrease of 769,042 pounds. The sales of leaf tobacco on this market in November amounted to 2,975 cit younds, and so size the open statement of the control of th amounted to 2,307,611 pounds; sales since October 1st (the opening of the tobacco year), 4,658,365 pounds; sales for the same period of the last tobacco year were 8,039,685 pounds. This remarkable difference in figures is due entirely to the lack of suitable weather for handling tobacco.

mandery. Knights Templar, of which deceased

handling tobacco Rev. Joshua Hunter, the new pastor of Mount Vernon Methodist church, filled his pulpit for the first time yesterday. Though the weather was very unfavorable, large congregations greeted him both morning and night.

Meredith Will Easily Win.

FREDERICKSBURG, VA., Nov. 30.—|Special.]— The triangular fight for Congress in the The triangular fight for Congress in the Eighth district will prove altogether one-sided. Hon E. E. Meredith, the Democratic nominee, practices in the courts of Stafford and King George counties and has been engaged in many business transactions with the people. He is personally very nominar and will poll more votes than the usual Democratic strength in these counties. The Republicans are not organized and the Alliance mon are mostly Democrats and will not support the Independent candidate, Mr. Turner. Mrs. Tielman, of Pittsburg, Pa, is visiting Mr. William H. Richards and family at their elegant residence on Hanover sircet.

elegant residence on Hanover street.

Miss Constance Tinsley, of Richmond, who
has been visiting the tamily of Mr. William H.

Cunningham, has returned home.

Miss Lizzie Beckwith, of this city, who has
been visiting friends in Richmond, returned
home.

home Saturday.
Mr. Dud. Green, who spent the summer at

his farmnear Rectortown, in Fanquier county, has returned to his home in this city for the winter. Mr. J. M. Faville, of New York, who is on

his way to Fiorida, is spending a few days with his brother, Mr. R. W. Faville, whose Stafford county.

Messrs M. McD, Prichards and H. P. Morris, of Richmond, have been in the city sev-

ris, of histories, and coral days on business.

Hon, James B. Sener, ex-member of Congress from this district, now of Washington, D. C., is in the city.

Mr. John Solon, of Hornellsville, N. Y.,

whose home is in this city.

The Tistes is rapidly growing in public favor here. I hear it commended on all sides, and its circulation, I am told, is increasing

in reference to the State debt settlement, published in the Surday Trans, were reproduced in the Free Lance of this city.

Judge Farthing Dead.

Whitzamsnung, Va., Nov. 30,—[Special.]— Judge W. G. W. Farthing, county judge of James City and York counties, died at his home near Toono yesterday morning at 11:20

and succeeded Hon. H. R. Warren, who was elected to the vacancy caused by the elevation of Hon. R. L. Healy to the circuit bench. tion of Ifon. It. I Healy to the circuit beach, Judge Farthing had the confidence and esteem of a large number of friends, and was considered a just and conscientious judge. He was a strict member of the Christian Church, and frequently officiated at religious services in his neighborhood and will be considered. limb in the war while serving as a member of a Texas regiment. After the war he settled in York county, where he taught school for several years. While engaged in this pro-

Lendunger, Va., Nov. 39.—[Special.]—At a meeting of the Lynchburg Bett Railroad company held to-day the following officers were elected: President, N. Lenig, of Philadelphia: Vice-President, A. W. Nowlin, of Lynchburg; Secretary and Treasurer, F. H. Williams, of Philadelphia: Directors, N. Lenig, A. W. Nowlin, T. H. Williams, R. T. Cleaves and J. S. Clark.

A. S. White and bride arrived in this city to the from an extended Northern tour.

Nonreas, Va., Nov. 20. [Special.] The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Ani-

GRAPTON, W. Va., Nov. 30.—Josiah Carpenter, the oldest inhabitant of West Virginia, died at his residence in Preston county yes terday. Estimates of Carpenter's age are varied, but none placed him under one hundred and twenty years. He claimed to have been born in Laudoun county, Va., in 17-2, and is, therefore one hundred and fifty-nine years old. He claimed to remember Braddock's defeat. Carpenter had a son who ded ten country and the claim of the claim. ten years ago at the age of eighty. Until re-cently his health has been fairly good. He has one daughter still living, who is over

Washington, D. C., Nov. 30, -[Special.]— The Juch Opera Company opened here to-night in a magnificent production of "Verdi's "Eigolletto," Miss Juch scoring a great suc-cess as Gilda, William Mertens as Rigoletto, the Hupehback, Chille, the famous Franch the Hunchback: Guille, the famous French tenor, as the Duke William Froderick, the favorite basso, as Sparafucili: Gertrade May Stein, as Madalena. The cast has not been equaled in Washington in years. The house was packed to overflowing and the enthusiasm was unbounded. Miss Juch's engagement here will undoubtedly prove an artistic and financial success.

Diastrons Fire in New Orleans. New Orleans, La., Nov. 30.—A disastrous fire occurred here this morning, destroying the main building, a frame structure used as a library and several other buildings belonging to the Straight University for colored

PRINCES, PRELATES, PRIESTS.

All Gather to Celebrate Archbishop Kenrick's Golden Jubilee.

UNIQUE AND IMPOSING CEREMONIES.

For the First Time in the History of the Catholic Church in This Country the Event Occurs.

Sr. Louis, Mo., Nov. 30 .- For the first time in the history of the Catholic Church in this country the opportunity is presented to celebrate the golden jubilee of an archbishop. The distinguished prelate to whom is accorded this high honor is His Grace, Peter Richard Kenrick, the venerable and beloved archbishop of the diocese of Missouri. The celebration today is in keeping with the noble character of the venerated prelate. From the far northern State of Oregon to the Everglades of Florida and from distant Maine to remote New Mexico, and even from the Vatican at Rome, princes of the church, prelates and priests have come to honor the aged archbishop on the evening of his successful and glorious career. The list of clerical participants in the jubilee services embraces a cardinal, twelve archbishops, sixty-five bishops, five mitered abbots, nearly 300 priests and many dignitizing of the different religious orders of lightaries of the different religious orders of

The solemn pontifical, high mass in honor of the occasion was celebrated this morning in the old cathedral on Walnut street. The interior of the church was handsomely doco-

rated. The mass selected for the occasion was Gounod's "Messe Solemneil de Sainte Cecile," and it was rendered in a beautiful and majestic manner by a choir of fifty trained voices, chosen from the different choirs of the city. Gounod's cile," and

PROCEEDING TO THE CHURCH. Early this morning Archbishop Kenrick said mass privately in the chapel of his restsaid mass privately in the chapel of his residence on Lindell avenue, and at 8:30 o'clock
he entered a carriage drawn by iron gray
horses covered with purple trappings
and led by a footman. His Emmence,
Cardinal Gibbons had a similar equipage,
drawn by black horses covered with
red drapery. Both carriages and their distinguished occupants were escorted by a
mounted platoon of Catholic gentlemen wearing appropriate sashes and badges. The procession moved slowly in the clear and crisp
morning air from the residence to the schoolmorning air from the residence to the school-house adjoining the cathedral, a distance of nearly two miles, and reached the end of the journey shortly before 9 o'clock.

The most reverend and right reverend prelates and the officers of the mass donned their vestments in the sacristics, and a tew minutes after 9 o'clock the procession from the school-house to the main entrance to the church began. It moved in a stately and dignified mainer in the following order (ross, bearer and acadetas, priests in cases). Cross-bearer and acolytes, priests in cassock and surplice, monsigneri, mitered abbots, bishops, archishops, His Grace of St. Loms and attendants, His Emisence, Cardinal Gib-

bons, with the officers of the mass.

In addition to Cardinal Gibbons was the celebrant and His Grace Archbishop Kenrick, who assisted with miter and cope.

OFFICERS OF THE MASS. The officers of the mass were: Very Rev. H. Muchlsiepen. V. G., and Rev. William Walsh, deacons of honor to the most reversed archbishop Very Rev. Fhilip P. Brady, archbriest to His Eminence Cardinal Cibbers. Rev. D. W. Kenney P. Brady, archartest to His Eminence; Cardinal Gibbons, Revs. D. W. Kenrick and J. Hessoun, deacons of honor to the celebrant: Rev. Joseph Schrefers, deacon of the mass Rev. William Noonan, cross bearer, and Rev. Martin S. Brennan, first master or ceremonies. These were augumented with a large corps of well-trained servera, acolytes, Ac. The procession passed down the main nisle of the cathedral, and, entering the sanctuary sengrated each to his respective posimary, separated, each to his respective posi-

After the cardinal had donned the magnifi-After the cardinal mad domest the magnificent vestments; which a pontifical mass requires, he proceeded to the foot of the altar, meanwhile blessing the clergy and people. On reaching the lower step of the altar the cardinal repeated the confiner, after which the altar was incensed. The celebrant then

after which the epistle was read.
Immediately after the epistle Archbishop Ryan walked to the front of the altar and began his address.
The ceremony of the mass concluded with

The ceremony of the mass concluded with the sclemn Episcopal blessing.

After mass the procession reformed and returned to the school-house in the same manner it entered the claurch.

This afternoon at the Lindell Hotel there will be a grand jubile banquet. Addresses will be made by Cardinal Gibbons, Archbishops Corrigan, Janssen and others. This evening the grand torchight parade takes place, and july 15,000 men will be in line.

Save the Train for the First Time.

PARMYHAE, VA., Nov. 30. (Special) -On

party and been prominent in every political fight in his district since the war.

La tirippe is raging again in this town, forty cases alone at the Normal school being

Major A. R. Venable's family have moved

Major A. R. Venanie's islamy have moved to town for the winter and occupy the residence of Mrs. N. Carrington.
Miss Nannie May, of Lunenburg, who has been visiting her friend, Miss Maggie Watkins, left to-day for home.

Mr. W. P. Venable, who has been visiting have added to Patershurg, returned to

in Richmond and Petersburg, returned to

Not So Bad in Beanville.

Boston, Mass., Nov. So.—Lady Balgyrine, who has been doing the slums of Boston, says that they are not so bad as those of 1 ondon, and that there is an entire absence of that expression of utter hopelessness which characterizes the London outcast.

Ambulance Calls.

Yesterday was a busy day with the city ambulance, four calls having occupied it during

The first call was at 8.30 o'clock yesterday morning to the Third station-house to a white man who, while intoxicated had fallen in the snow and was half frozen when dis He soon revived and was left at

the station-house.

At 2 P. M. to Twefth and Broad streets to a colored man who was sick. He was taken to the almshouse for treatment.

At 5:30 P. M. to John Crenshaw, No. 781 Brook avenue, who took five drachms of lendary. He was promptly treated and left. laudanum. He was promptly treated and left

At 8:15 P. M. to the First police station to a white woman with convulsions. She was treated and taken home.

WHO IS RESPONSIBLE?

The Corone:'s Inquiry Into the Fearful Accident-Death of the Eighth Victim.

Toleno, O., Nov. 30 .- The coroner's inquest to inquire into the railroad accident last Saturday night was commenced at the last Saturday night was commenced at the court-house this afternoon. The inquest will last two or three days. The railroads will make a strong fight to prove that the accident was the act of God, with nobody to blame. Lyons, the engineer of the Pere Marquette train that collided with the rear car of the Loke Shore express, is at present condemned by the public for running faster than the company's rules allow.

All attempts to interview Lyons and Conductor Hunter have failed. Mand Mackingle, aged four years, daughter of J. A. Mackenzie, of Minneapolis, died at 4:39 this afternoon at St. Vincent's hospital. She makes

zie, of Minneapolis, died at 4:39 this acternoon at St. Vincent's hospital. She makes
the eighth victim of the accident. Her
mother, Mrs. J. MacKenzie, is very low and
is not expected to live. Maud is the second
daughter Mr. MacKenzie has lost by this accident. He is almost distracted over the probability of his wide, injuries, proving fatal, and bility of his wife's injuries proving fatal, and it is feared he will lose his mind.

THE UPRISING IN CHINA.

Three Hundred Foreigners Killed by the Rebels and their Goods Destroyed.

(By Cable to The Times.) PERIN, Nov. 30 .- The situation grows more serious daily. Instead of one outbreak of the revolutionists the movement seems to be divided, one disturbance occurring north of Kin Chow, where one town has been looted, and a second uprising and more serious one near Takouw. In the latter place the Mandarins have purchased immunity for the natives by allowing the rebels to wreak their vengeance on the foreigners, more than three hundred of whom have been killed by the tabels and their vengeance do the control of the control

hundred of whom have been killed by the tebels and their property destroyed.

The Government is concentrating troops at strategie points along the great wall. The regular troops at Shankaikivian are reported to have joined the rebels, and the people of the affected districts are in sympathy with the revolt. The government seems to be taking no energetic action.

A FIRE CAUSES DARKNESS.

\$500,000 of Damage From a Big Blaze in the Electric Light Plant.

CHICAGO, ILL., Nov. 30 .- Fire in the Chicago Arc-Light and Power Company's plant in the rear of the central manufacturing plent in the rear of the central manufacturing block, at Washington and Market streets, to-night, caused 2,300 electric lights to go out, leaving the downtown district of the city in comparative darkness the remainder of the night. The loss will be upwards of \$500,000, Seventy-three Cynamos, valued at 23,500 apiece were destroyed. Powerful engines and boilers were ruined and the building, which was worth in the neighborhood of \$100,000, is a complete loss.

a complete loss.

Sparks from a short circuit caused the fire.
Several small firms occupied a portion of the block, and their loss is complete. Occupants of the north half of the Central manufacturing building, fronting on Market street, were damaged considerably by smoke and water.

Of the twenty-three employes in the building at the time, three or four of them had narrow escapes. Two of the Arc-light Company's men were severely scorched in trying to put out the blaze with a small chemical engine.

Results of the Turf. Following are the results of races yester-

GUITENBURG, N. J. First race, six furlongs—Fidelio first, Mol-lie Davis second, Emperor Otho third. Time,

Second race, five forlongs Duke John first, Volunteer second, Issautena (filly) third, Third race, six and a half furlor first, Florimor second, Gertie D., third. Time,

ourth race, five furlongs-Noonday first, Lucre second, Catharine B., third. Time, Fifth race, five furlongs-Even Weight Josie Wells second, Pericles third.

Time, 1:03%. Sixth race, seven furlongs—Passett first, Brown Charlie second, Algernon third. Time, The entries for to-day's Guttenburg races

First race, three-quarters of a mile, beaten horses—Ballarat, 120 Joe Courtney, 116 Congress, 115 Malachi, 113; St. James, 112 Rover, Marty B., 106; Puzzle, Daisy Wood ruff, Benedictine, 103; Sir George H. 101 Dixie, 105, Maggie Beck, 98; Smuggler, 20 Zampost, 80

Second race, five eighths of a mile, selling Second race, five eighths of a mile, selling

—Once-Again, Defendant, 122: Duke of Leinster, Romance, Perango, 119: Hordy Fox,
Claymore, 117: Austral, 114; Archie Collins,
Maggie Murphy, 99.

Third race, five eighths of a mile, handicap—Hoimdel (colt. 108: Alma S., 107;
Abundance (colt), 100: Allequipa, 36: Fleurette, 95: Maxim (filly, 90; Laughing Water,

Fourth race, one mile, handicap Saunterer Now of Never, 102, Kimberly, 107, My Fellov 106; Blitzen, 104; Lowlander, 95; Lepanto, 86 Fifth race, five-eights of a mile, handicap Lucre, 90; Drizzle, 88. Sixth race, six and one-half, furlongs, sell-

in Sparing, 113; Gloster, Glenmound, 111; Tom Hayes, 107; Baylor, 104; Villa Marie, 100; Faux Fas (colt), 94.

Familiate to come out wrong at end and she wouldn't swop her obe mule for it any day."

The old mammy's have becamed much surprised at the changes in town since she nased to come twenty odd years ago.

Mr. R. W. J. Blanton is a true and variant permocratation in corne twenty of the new things she saw and seemed much surprised at the office of Register of Lands. Mr. Hanton is a true and value to the public as a candidate for the office of Register of Lands. Mr. Hanton is a true and value to the prominent in every political such or being day and no motive for the proposition of the old on the office of Register of Lands. Mr. Hanton is a true and value to the public as a candidate for the office of Register of Lands. Mr. Hanton is a true and valued political such to be purposition that the proposition is a true and valued political such to be purposition in every political such to be purposition in the detense primcipally on the proposition that the proposition is a true and valued political such to be purposition in the detense of our client. It is undesstood, however, that they will base their delense primcipally on the proposition that they work of selecting a jury in the Graves Trial.

DENVER, Col., Nov. 30,—The work of selecting a jury in the Graves trial was continued until all the venire had been exhausted, and the list as the court adjourned for the day a new venire of fifty was ordered returnable to morrow morrow morning. The defense has only determined in a general way what the line of the defense will be. Judge Macon, senior counsel for Dr. Graves, stated to-night that they were what the State intends to do. When we find that out we will be in a position to take an aggressive stand in the detense of our client. It is undesstood, however, that they will be senior to the proposition to take an aggressive stand in the detense of our client. It is undesstood, however, that they will be senior to the proposition to take an aggressive stand in the detense of our client. It is undesstood, however, that they wi that Dr. Graves, being a beneficiary of Mrs. Sarmaby, had no motive for the crime, and that the contents of the bottle which was sent to her by "A friend in the woods," and from which she drank the deadly draught, was changed after it arrived in Denver. They will not deny, it is stated, that Dr. Graves sent first. Barnaby from Boston a bottle of

Another Suicide and Fallure. (By Cable to The Times.)

Berlin, Nov. 30.—There was another sensational suicide and failure to-day added to the long list of troubles, growing out of the bankruptcy of Friedlander & Sommerfeld. In this case it is Herr Paarmann Cohn, propietor of a wholesale watch making a table. prietor of a wholesale watch-making estab ment, who has committed suicide. Here Cohn shot and killed himself with a revolver leaving a statement to the effect that his death was caused by heavy losses he had suf-fered through the failure of Friedlander & Sommerfeld.

> Death of Mr. Richard, M. P. [By Cable to the Times.]

London, Nov. 30.—The death of Richard Power, member of Parliament for Waterford city, and well known as the "whip" of the Parnellite party, which occurred yesterday, has been a great shock not only to the Irish Parlipontage party, but also to collision Parlimentary party, but also to politicians in general. Mr. Power suffered from chill after leaving a theatre on Thursday last and he rapidly succumbed, his strength not being sufficient to stand the strain of sickness.

Shocks of Earthquake.

TACOMA, WASH., Nov. 30,-Several shocks of earthquake were felt yesterday at Port Townsend, at Olympia and at this place. The disturbances were distinctly felt, but no damage is reported. The shock was also felt

DEATH AND DIRE DISTRESS

Results from a Terrible and Unaccountable Explosion.

OVER THIRTY-TWO PEOPLE KILLED

And Many Others Injured-The Chinese Revolution Spreading Daily-France and the Papacy-Foreign Affairs.

(By Cable to the Times.)

LONDON, Nov. 30 .- A terrible explosion occurred at Blackburn near Preston, Lancashire, to-day. Blackburn contains a population of over 100,000, and an extensive business in cotton goods is done there. The streets in the vicinity of the explosion were full of people, when suddenly and without a moment's warning the earth shook, there was a tremendous report and the air was filled with flying bricks, timbers, broken glass and all manner

of debris. The houses which were destroyed were in the Blackburn market, naturally one of the most frequented parts of the town, and the scene which followed was indescribable. The people were wild with fear, and ran in terror from the market place. Many of those who ran away had been struck by flying debris, and with blood pouring from their wounds they added to the terror of the people.

A HOTEL COLLAPSES.

The police hastened to the scene and as soon as possible began to search the ruins for the dead. The Crown Hotel and two stores on dead. The Crown Hotel and two stores on Victoria street collapsed immediately after the explosion, the cause of which is unknown. The Crown Hotel caught fire and from its ruins the most heartrending cries issued. The entire building tumbled in upon those unlucky enough to be in it. There are, according to report, at least thirty people buried in the ruins, while over a dozen are said to have met death in the ruins of the stores. Several bergie efforts to save life were are said to have met death in the ruins of the stores. Several heroic efforts to save life were made by the police and firemen. One of the latter, in attempting to rescue a child whose cries could be heard in the ruins of the Crown, fell into the flames and was so severely burn-ed that his life is despaired of. It was only with difficulty that he was rescued by his computes. comrades.

A HEART-BENDING SCENE.

Later.—The number of deaths is not yet known, but it is judged that the majority of the bodies will be found in the ruins of the the bodies will be found in the rains of the hotel. The police and firemen are now masters of the situation, and it may be said that all that remains to be done is to overhaul the rains and pick out the dead. Many terrible scenes of distress have been witnessed about the rains upon the part of those who have relatives among the missing, and who fear that they have met death in the ruins. One poor woman with five children clinging to her skirts and a babe at her breast is the centre of sympathy and interest in the crowd. She is supposed to be the wife of the assistant cook of the Crown Hotel, and her cries and those of her children are enough to make a heart of stone bleed. Five bodies have already been recovered. They are burned or crushed almost beyond recognition. The cause of the explosion still seems to be a mystery. The police estimate the number of dead at thirty-two.

A WAR ON THE PRELATES.

The French Government Insists That They Behave in a More Moderate Manner.

[By Cable to The Times.]

Paris, Nov. 30 .- The Gaulois to-day announces that M. Ribot, the Minister of Foreign Affairs, in an interview with Monsignor Ferratia, the Papal Nuncio in this city, has distinctly informed the latter that unless the Vatican takes steps to cause the arch-bishops and bishops of France to behave in a more moderate manner towards the French Government that France will no longer oppose the separation of Church and State. In addition, it is said, that M. Ribot informed the nuncio that the Government has determined at all hazards, to insist upon prelates of all ranks obeying the laws as strictly as any humble citizen would. In default of this, M. Ribot is said to have remarked the Government would prose-cute and insist upon the most severe penalcute and insist upon the most severe penal-ties being imposed upon those who defied its authority. The archbishop of Aix's conduct since the trial is said to have been severely commented upon by M. Ribot, that minister laying particular stress upon the fact that the Archbishop had referred to his trial yesterday in his address after celebratrial yesterday to his handes at Lyons, saying that he did not regret what he had done, and that he did not regret upon him would not have the elect of silencing him.

THE CHURCH CONTROVERSY RENEWED. Popular excitement continues at fever heat In the covernment and the Archoshop of Aix In the city of Aix there is a numerous party opposed to the Church, so far, at least, as concerns its connection with the State, and these resolved to give the Archbishop, on his return, a reception that would show that his course had not been popular. assembled that evinced a hostile disposition. Loud hisses were heard as the Archbishop alighted and the crowd made a rush as it about to seeze him. He was rudely hustled, if not actually struck, and would have suffered more severely but for the police, who managed with considerable force to disperse the unfriendly concourse. The Church Catholics, however, made up in some degree for the unpleasant experiences of their archbishop by presenting him with a splendid mitre and crozier in token of their approval of his conduct. The

ROME, Nov. 30.—The French ambassador to the Vatican has been treated with marked sian representatives. These circumstances are fregarded as indicating an end of the friendship between France and the Holy Sec.

CHILI REMAINS DEFIANT. She Has No Intention of Offering an Apology

to the United States. (By Cable to The Times.) VALPARAISO, Nov. 30.—The United Press

correspondent was informed to-day on the authority of an official holding high place in Santiago that the Chilian Government had no Santiago that the Chilan Government had no intention whatever of offering an apology or indemnity, such as the American President requested, and had no intention of recalling or meditying the reply given to the American request, and that any expectation that President Montt would in this respect, modify the policy adopted by the Junta was misleading. The President himself, it is said, was the latter that devocate in the Junta of a defi-

most earnest advocate in the Junta of a defi-ant retort to the United States and virtually dictated the answer sent to Minister Egan. Montt has not changed his views since he ex-changed the office of Chief of the Junta for that of President, and Chili is silent now be-

cause there is nothing to be said.

Meantime, although President Montt has recommended a cutting down of the army and navy, no steps have been taken to carry out the recommendation, and even the volun-teers sent back to their homes in the North were told to retain their arms.

Five Killed; Ten Injured. Sr. Paul., Minn., Nov. 30.—Information has reached here that a span of a bridge on the

reached here that a span of a bridge of the Great Northern railway extension at Kalis-pell, Mont. fell to-day, taking down with it fifteen men. Five men were killed and the other ten injured. Some of the injured may

AMONG THE SICK.

Many of Richmond's Best Known Citizens Are Confined to Their Homes. Mr. A. B. Clarke, of Church Hill, is ill with

pneumonia. Mrs. Roland Childrey, of Church Hill, is

ill with pneumonia and the effects of the

grippe.

Mr. Harrison Blair is only a shade better, but is expected to live. His father, Mr. Lewis H. Blair, has almost entirely recovered from his recent severe attack.

Mr. Charles Lathrop is seriously ill at his home with pneumonia and the after effects of the cripes.

the grippe.

Mr. C. A. Barksdale, who has been ill with Mr. C. A. Barksciale, who has been in with pneumonia for some past, is better.

Mrs. J. W. Wilbur: who fell a short time since at her home on west Main street and severely sprained one of her ankles, was slightly better yesterday. She will not, how-ever, be able to go out for several weeks yet. Right Rev. Francis M. Whittle, who has

Right Rev. Francis M. Whittle, who has been suffering with insomnia for the past few months, was very ill on Sunday, but felt somewhat easier yesterday.

Rev. Dr. John K. Mason, of St. James church, is confined to his home by a cold.

Mr. James S. Atkinson, assistant secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association, has been seriously ill during the past few days, suffering with a severe cold, He was slightly improving yesterday.

Mr. William Ratcliffe, librarian of the Young Men's Christian Association, is laid up with la grippe.

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Dr. William F. Farrar has been sick for several days past with the grip, and narrowly escaped an attack of pneumonia.

Mr. George W. Libby, who has been quite sick, is considerably improved.

Sheriff D. S. Cates is on duty again after a

severe at tack of grip.
Policeman C. W. Saunders, of the Third

Policeman C. W. Saunders, of the Third district, continues quite sick. Rev. Dr. Fair, of the Grace-street Presby-terian church, although much improved, was not able to fill his pulpit Sunday. Rev. Jabez Hall, who has been sick for sev-eral weeks, was still unable to appear in his pulpit at the Seventh-street Christian church Sunday. Mr. A. J. Farrish arrived in Richmond from

Mr. A. J. Farrish arrived in Richmond from Charlottesville by the Chesapeake and Ohio train at 7 o'clock last evening, and shortly after leaving the depot slipped on the ice and fell heavily to the ground, painfully injuring his leg. A cab was called, and Mr. Farrish taken to the Exchange, where he was made contortable, and a physician summoned. It was not known at the hotel late last evening the exact extent of his injuries, and though suffering a good deal they were not thought to be serious

THE LEGISLATORS ARRIVE.

They are Flocking into Eichmond From all Parts of the State ... Many to Arrive.

Quite a number of members of the General Assembly arrived in the city yesterday and registered at the Exchange Hotel, which will be this, as in former years, the popular headquarters for members of the Legislature.
This morning will find a still larger number on hand, and this evening almost every member is expected to have arrived, as the session

will begin to-morrow at noon.

The Governor has completed his message, and the same is now in the hands of the printers, and will be ready for delivery when

printers, and will be ready for delivery when the Legislature convenes.

The Governor, it is said, will, among other things, recommend that Commonwealth's attorneys be paid salaries instead of fees, as at present. For some years past much complaint has been made that criminal prosecutions were instituted in some sections of the State in very trivial cases.

The following members were registered at the Exchange last evening; R. H. Cardwell, Speaker of the House, Hanover, Merritt T. Cooke, Norfolk; S. S. Wilkins, Northampton; D. Garden Tyler, Charles City; J. Thompson Brown, Bedford; H. T. Wickham, Richmond; W. I. Jordan, Halifax; Robert W. Mallet, Norfolk; Phil. St. George Wilcox, Charles City; J. C. Gibson, Cul-W. Mallet, Nortolk; Phil. St. George Wilcox, Charles City; J. C. Gibson, Culpeper; J. A. Browning, Rappshannock; W. G. Farish, J. T. Tilman, Albemarle; George S. Shackelford, Orange; M. C. Thomas, Craig; J. F. Ryan, Loudoun; Taylor Berry, Bedford: F. W. Harrison, Winchester, H. D. Flood, Appomattox; J. T. Dunlop, Rockbridge; T. H. Barnes, Nansemond; J. H. Crafford Elizabeth.

Crafford, Elizabeth. Mr. Charles Bendheim, member of the House from the city of Alexandria, arrived yesterday. Mr. Bendheim is very popular in his district and will doubtless prove an excellent representative.

JEWELRY STORE ROBBED. Meny Valuable Articles Carried Off by the Cunning Thieves.

A bold and shrewdly conducted burglary was effected at the jewelry store of M. Schaaf & Brother, No. 426 east Broad street, early yesterday morning.

The burglars sawed a hole in the back do

of the store large enough to insert a hand and unlock it from the outside, an inner door unlock it from the outside, an inner door was encountered and treated in the same Fortunately most of the costly goods were stored in locked iron safes, but there were a number of spoons, silverware, opera-glasses and valuable rings, to the amount of \$250 or \$300, left in the show-cases and on the counters, and those were the principal things re-moved. Nothing else in the store was mo-lested, and the robbery was so skillfully con-ducted that it was not discovered until in the

morning when the store was opened.

The premises were carefully examined yesterday by Sergeant Tomlinson and Officer Hall, but no clue to the robbers was discov-The police think it was not the work of cracksmen, as the work was not the work done, and did not indicate professional skill and tools.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

Bits of News Gathered Here and There by the "Times" Reporters.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Q. Justis, of Hampton, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. William Justis, of 5 east Cary street. Dr. R. Kidder Taylor, of Lynchburg, ar-rived in the city yesterday and paid a brief

wisit to The Trans office.

Mr. A. E. Donnan expects to go to Brook-lyn this week to attend the wedding of his sister-in-law, Miss May Talmage. Mrs. Isaac Barksdale and her daughter,

Mrs. J. R. Ryan, were at the St. Claire Hotel, They left last evening for Birmingham. Cards are out for the marriage on the 9th instant of Dr. Philip Taylor, of this city, to Miss Sallie Williams Lovell, daughter of Mr. John T. Lovell, of Front Royal, Virginia.

Kain, the well-known and popular short-stop of Donati's Giants, has received a flatter-ing offer to play ball in San Francisco next season. He is considering the matter.

The Independent Order of B'nai B'rith gave an enjocable entertainment at Both Ahaba synagogue last Sunday evening. Vocal and instrumental music was admirably rendered

nd the evening was pleasurable to all wh Mr. Gilbert Walden, the well-known elocu-

tionist, will give an entertainment at Seventh-street Christian church this evening at 8 o'clock. Mr. Walden has received many en-comiums from the Southern press and will doubtless be greeted by a large concourse. The chorus of the opera "Pinafore" will

have another rehearsal on Thursday evening next at the music store of M. B. Ramos, and a full attendance of the members is requested. The opera will be given during the present month for the benefit of the fund of the Sol-

diers' and Sailors' monument.

The Committee on Claims and Salaries met last evening in the Council chamber with Dr. Steel in the chair.

After the transaction of the usual amount of routine business Dr. Steel bade the members of the committee god-speed and announced that to-day he would present his resignation to Fresident Campbell as member of the Common Council. He will to-morrow enter on his duties as member of the House

enter on his duties as member of the House of Delegates.